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Interview Summary

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Anatoly Vortman

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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 49.

Identification of prior art discussed: US/5,572,181 to Kiryu et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Examiner has indicated that in view of the Applicant's arguments 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection of claims 49-68 is withdrawn. Also some differences between the present invention and the Kiryu et al. ('181) device have been discussed in order to provide the direction to the Applicant to properly amend the claims.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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